PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Docket No: Q78692

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Appln. No.: 10/736,074 Group Art Unit: 1791

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For: STRAW TUBE, AND APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 4, 2008.

Review and reconsideration on the merits in view of the following remarks and amendments is respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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